

# Integrals 2: The Integrand Strikes Back

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# A GUIDE TO INTEGRATION BY PARTS:

GIVEN A PROBLEM OF THE FORM:

$$\int f(x)g(x)dx = ?$$

CHOOSE VARIABLES  $u$  AND  $v$  SUCH THAT:

$$u = f(x)$$

$$dv = g(x)dx$$

NOW THE ORIGINAL EXPRESSION BECOMES:

$$\int u dv = ?$$

WHICH DEFINITELY LOOKS EASIER.

ANYWAY, I GOTTA RUN.

BUT GOOD LUCK!

# Introduction

- ▶ It turns out that for some functions, staring at the function until you see the answer is just too hard.
- ▶ In this lecture, we'll give you a couple of tricks to help you along with the harder integral.
- ▶ This is hard and very frustrating at times. Prepare your soul.

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- ▶ Suppose we want to find the indefinite integral  $\int g(x)dx$  and assume we can identify a function  $u(x)$  such that  $g(x) = f[u(x)]u'(x)$ . Let's refer to the antiderivative of  $f$  as  $F$ .
- ▶ Then the chain rule tells us that  $\frac{d}{dx}F[u(x)] = f[u(x)]u'(x)$ . So,  $F[u(x)]$  is the antiderivative of  $g$ .
- ▶ We can then write

$$\int g(x)dx = \int f[u(x)]u'(x)dx = \int \frac{d}{dx}F[u(x)]dx = F[u(x)] + c$$

## Indefinite integral

- ▶ Procedure to determine the indefinite integral  $\int g(x)dx$  by the method of substitutions:
  1. Identify some part of  $g(x)$  that might be simplified by substituting in a single variable  $u$  (which will then be a function of  $x$ ).
  2. Determine if  $g(x)dx$  can be reformulated in terms of  $u$  and  $du$ .
  3. Solve the indefinite integral.
  4. Substitute back in for  $x$

## Definite integral

- Substitution can also be used to calculate a definite integral. Using the same procedure as above,

$$\int_a^b g(x)dx = \int_c^d f(u)du = F(d) - F(c)$$

where  $c = u(a)$  and  $d = u(b)$ .



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- ▶ Substituting these into the above equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \sqrt{x+1} dx &= \int (u-1)^2 \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \int (u^2 - 2u + 1) u^{1/2} du \\ &= \int (u^{5/2} - 2u^{3/2} + u^{1/2}) du \end{aligned}$$

- We can easily integrate this, since it's just a polynomial. Doing so and substituting  $u = x + 1$  back in, we get

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{x+1} dx = 2(x+1)^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{7}(x+1)^2 - \frac{2}{5}(x+1) + \frac{1}{3} \right] + c$$

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- ▶ Additionally,  $u = 2$  when  $x = 0$  and  $u = 1 + e^2$  when  $x = 1$ .

► Substituting all of this in, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \frac{5e^{2x}}{(1+e^{2x})^{1/3}} dx &= \frac{5}{2} \int_2^{1+e^2} \frac{du}{u^{1/3}} \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \int_2^{1+e^2} u^{-1/3} du \\ &= \frac{15}{4} u^{2/3} \Big|_2^{1+e^2} \\ &= 9.53\end{aligned}$$

Solve the following using u-substitution

1.

$$\int (10x^9 - 20x^3 + 3)(5x^{10} - 25x^4 + 15x)^7 dx$$

2.

$$\int_0^3 x \exp(x^2 - 2) dx$$

3.

$$\int \frac{4x + 3}{4x^2 + 6x - 11} dx$$

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- ▶ More frequently remembered as

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

where  $du = u'(x)dx$  and  $dv = v'(x)dx$ .

► For definite integrals:  $\int_a^b u \frac{dv}{dx} dx = uv \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b v \frac{du}{dx} dx$



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- ▶ Notice that we now have an integral similar to the previous one, but with  $x^{n-1}$  instead of  $x^n$ .
- ▶ For a given  $n$ , we would repeat the integration by parts procedure until the integrand was directly integrable — e.g., when the integral became  $\int e^{ax} dx$ .
- ▶ Let's do this with  $n = 2$ .

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- Substituting these in, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^3 e^{-x^2} dx &= uv - \int v du \\&= x^2 \left( -\frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} \right) - \int \left( -\frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} \right) 2x dx \\&= -\frac{1}{2} x^2 e^{-x^2} + \int x e^{-x^2} dx \\&= -\frac{1}{2} x^2 e^{-x^2} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} + c\end{aligned}$$

and the rest is algebra.

Solve the following integrals using integration by parts.

1.

$$\int_1^4 x\sqrt{x+5}dx$$

2.

$$\int 3xe^x dx$$

3.

$$\int_1^e x \ln(x) dx$$

4.

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